

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 are now pending in this application for which applicants seek reconsideration.

Amendment

Non-elected claims 9-32 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 1, 2, and 4-8 have been amended to improve their form and clarity. In this respect, the preamble of claims 5-8 has been revised to embed a computer program in a computer-readable medium to overcome the § 101 rejection. Independent claims 1 and 5 also have been amended to define transforming input content definition data to add an item which is not defined in said content definition data, or to change an item which is defined in the content definition data. Support for the amendment is found at least on pages 17-19.

Art Rejection

Claims 1-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Chiang (USPGP 2004/0103370) in view of Probst (USPGP 2003/0140034). Applicants submit that the pending claims define over these references within the meaning of § 103 because none of these references would have disclosed or taught the feature of transforming input content definition data as presently set forth in independent claims 1 and 5.

Specifically, independent claims 1 and 5 call for transforming input content definition data to add an item not defined therein or to change an item defined therein. Applicants submit that Chiang and Probst would not have disclosed or taught such a feature. Indeed, while the applied references at best may disclose rendering or transforming XML based data using a style sheet or browser specific style, these references do not teach adding or editing input content definition. Accordingly, applicants submit that the pending claims define over the applied references.

Conclusion

Applicants submit that claims 1-8 patentably distinguish over the applied references and are in condition for allowance. Should the examiner have any issues concerning this reply or any other outstanding issues remaining in this application, applicants urge the examiner to contact the undersigned to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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